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SUBJ: SADAT ON EGYPTIAN ASSISTANCE TO CHAD

REF CAIRO 11870,

1. IN MEETING WITH SADAT TODAY, HE SAID CHADIAN PRES MALLOUM IS STILL ASKING FOR SUDANESE AND EGYPTIAN HELP. ACCORDING TO THE PRESIDENT, EGYPT HAS ALREADY SENT 80 TONS OF AMMO AND SPARE PARTS, MAINLY FOR SOVIET EQUIPMENT IN CHADIAN INVENTORY. THIS MATERIAL HAS BEEN TRANSPORTED IN THREE C-130 AIRCRAFT. MALLOUM REPORTEDLY SURPRISED AT RAPIDITY OF EGYPTIAN RESPONSE. MALLOUM WOULD STILL LIKE SUDANESE TROOPS DEPLOYED TO CHAD, BUT THIS NOT POSSIBLE.

2. ASKED HOW MEDIATION EFFORT IS COMING BETWEEN MALLOUM AND INSURGENT LEADER HUSSEIN HABRE, SADAT SAID HE THOUGHT IT WAS GOING WELL BUT HAD NO DETAILS. NUMAYRI WORKING ON IT. NUMAYRI HAD IN FACT TELEPHONED HIM YESTERDAY TO EXPRESS CONCERN ABOUT LIBYAN MILITARY INCURSION, WHICH THE SUDANESE PRES VIEWED IN CONTEXT OF LIBYAN THREAT TO CHAD. SADAT SAID HE REASSURED NUMAYRI THAT HE HAS THE SITUATION WELL IN HAND.

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3. SADAT AGAIN EXPRESSED HOPE THAT USG WILL PROVIDE SOME SORT OF ARMS ASSISTANCE TO CHAD, EITHER DIRECTLY OR THROUGH EGYPT AND/OR SUDAN OR THROUGH SOME OTHER SOURCE. IF AMERICAN ARMS NOT POSSIBLE, PERHAPS SOME SOVIET ARMS WHICH HE UNDERSTOOD USG HOLDS MIGHT BE USED FOR THIS PURPOSE.
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